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Forward Movement of the New Transcontinental Line in Evidence.

Amalgamation Authorized With Lines to Atlantic Seaboard.

Lumber Delegates Lay Case Before Members From the Northwest.

From Our Own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, Feb. 2.—The forward movement of the Canadian Northern Railway Co. is set forth in a petition presented to parliament today signed by D. D. Mann, vice-president. The James Bay Railway Co. desires to change its name and to lease or acquire the lines of the Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Railway Co. to amalgamate with or lease its lines to the Canadian Northern Railway Co. and to build the following additional roads: From a point south of Lake Muskoka, thence easterly to Montreal, passing through Ottawa; from Sudbury to Port Arthur, passing south of Lake Nipigon.

Shirley Keeling, Kaslo, has been appointed assistant inspector in connection with the supervision of claims for lead bounty.

The British Columbia lumber delegation state that all they ask is the imposition of a duty of \$2 per thousand feet on American lumber. They had a talk with the Northwest members today with a view to meeting their objections.

Premier Parent of Quebec will be placed on the transcontinental railway construction a duty of \$2 per thousand feet on American lumber. They had a talk with the Northwest members today with a view to meeting their objections.

Mr. Northrup asked for an explanation of the non-Gazetting of the return of the member for Yukon, where the election was held Dec. 16. Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick said that he had been informed by telegram that Feb. 7 had been added as the day for the declaration of the returns. The returning officer was quite within his rights in fixing such a day as some of the provisions of the election act did not apply to Yukon; but there seemed to be unusual delay, and he had telegraphed asking for an explanation and urging the importance of having the matter settled at once. He promised to send the return tomorrow with all information in the department in connection with this matter.

The bill increasing the pay of the Northwest Mounted Police passed the Commons this afternoon. Both sides highly eulogized the force. Premier Laurier said there was no prospect of reducing the force, which consisted of 600 in the Territories and 300 in the Yukon.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick this afternoon severely scolded officious police constables who meddled with parties and did not give them a chance to redeem themselves.

Mr. Fisher stated a despatch had been sent to the British government urging the removal of the embargo on Canadian cattle.

Capt. Walbran has been reinstated by the marine department, and leaves for Victoria tomorrow.

The Liberals of Wright held a meeting at Hull tonight to select a candidate. There was a lively gathering. Sir Wilfrid Laurier endorsed Emanuel Devlin, but strenuous opposition developed. Louis Cousineau announced that he would be a candidate whether Devlin ran or not.

AMERICAN BREEDERS.

Champaign, Ill., Feb. 2.—The second annual meeting of the American Breeders' Association began today. There were present many of the most prominent agricultural scientists of the United States and Canada, besides more than 250 practical animal and plant breeders. An important point was the discussion of the best method of breeding livestock. The challenge of the American breeders to the world was to produce a new breed of cattle, sheep, swine, and poultry, adapted to different types of soils.

ADDER IN BOX BOX.

Deadly Snake Sent to Actress at Munich.

Munich, Bavaria, Feb. 2.—Franklin Rembeke, of the court theatre, who is playing the juvenile lead in Hauptmann's "Bergschmiede," found on her dressing table last evening a beautiful box with a large number of letters on it. She opened the box before going on the stage. The actress was too much occupied to do so until before the last act, and when she did open it an adder darted out and fastened its fangs on her. The proceeding she screamed and fell in a faint, and the attendants killed the adder. After some delay the actress was able to finish the performance.

LADYSMITH NEWS NOTES.

Ladysmith, Feb. 2.—(Special.)—The Russell-Davis company continue to draw crowded houses and give excellent satisfaction. A very enjoyable entertainment was given Wednesday night at the Methodist church, and during the evening many beautiful scenes of different parts of the world were presented. Quite a large number of the members of the church attended, and all spent a very pleasant evening. Judge Harrison and H. Maurice Hills, solicitor for the Wellington Colliery Company, arrived on the noon train Wednesday to attend the court of revision. The Victoria Aeris of Eagles are making preparations for a grand dance to be held in that city on the 15th inst. A special rate has been secured by the local birds, and doubtless a big crowd will go down to the "The Challenge." The challenge of the Temperance House for a hockey match has been accepted by the Abbotsford hotel, and the match will take place after next pay day. Sticks cut from the bush only will be used. The Redoubt will give its annual dance on St. Valentine's Day, and judging by the preparations, the affair will be a great success. Mr. K. Thompson received injuries in No. 3 yesterday which will lay him off work for a few days. Fortunately the injuries are not serious. A large number of school children, numbering about 100, got off the train yesterday from Nanaimo near Fiddicks Junction and began, in parties, to make further search for the two lost children.

LEMBERG'S HOWL.

Lemberg, Feb. 2.—Thousands of workmen engaged in a demonstration against the Emperor of Russia today, marching through the streets with banners inscribed, "Hurrah for the Polish Revolution" and "Down With the Czar." The procession stopped and howled in front of the Russian consulate. The police finally succeeded in dispersing the crowd and made many arrests.

RECOVERS ON INSURANCE.

Bellingham, Feb. 2.—Mrs. Louise Taylor, in the Superior court yesterday, was awarded \$2,000 damages and costs against the Modern Woodmen of America. This was the amount sued for and represented the face of a life insurance policy carried by Taylor. The Woodmen contended that Taylor was not in good health when he joined the order. The widow maintained that her husband had joined the order in good faith and was not aware of the bad state of his health. The jury was not out long before reaching a verdict. The Woodmen will appeal.

ROMANCE ENDS IN COURT.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—The runaway marriage of Lillian Russell's daughter Dorothy, has ended in the divorce courts. In a petition filed in the court here today, Abbott L. Einstein, the husband, is charged with being extravagant, lazy and brutal. "He refuses to work and I am compelled to support him," is one complaint of the petitioner. Failing to get money from his wife, he is declared Einstein took \$2,000 worth of her diamonds and spent the proceeds in gambling. Six weeks after marriage Einstein is alleged to have beaten his wife severely. He is alleged to have attacked her many other times. Twice, it is declared, he threatened her with a revolver in disputes about money.

WARSAW STREETS LIKE CHARNEL HOUSES

WARSAW, Feb. 2.—More blood has been shed in the streets of Warsaw during Tuesday and early Wednesday morning. The number of strikers is increasing and conditions throughout the city are fast becoming chaotic. The worst disturbances occurred in the suburbs, while the city proper was somewhat quiet. Many streets in the city proper are like charnel houses. In some districts the dead lie in heaps, as it has been impossible to bury them all. The authorities admit that at least 700 corpses are still in the streets. They are putrefying fast, and in some quarters the stench is becoming unbearable. In the Nowoswiezki quarter the police at midnight removed 50 male and two female bodies in carts and buried them in one grave in the local cemetery.

Outbreak Feared Again At Warsaw

Further Conflicts Feared In the Streets of the Polish Capital.

Rumored That Thousands of Coal Miners Will Join the Strike.

Warsaw, Feb. 2.—Traffic and business have been partially resumed. The shops in the principal thoroughfares are still boarded up and but few soldiers are visible in the streets. Public order and confidence, however, is not restored and there is a degree of uncertainty regarding the situation. Tomorrow is the holiday of purification and demonstrations are feared. No settlement of the strike is expected before February 6. It is certain that the strikers will not return to work before then. The most serious trouble of the police is with the hoodlums, which is responsible for the recent looting, the strikers remaining quiet. British Consul Macnamara, who was injured during the recent disturbances, has nearly recovered and is expected to leave the hospital next week. The governor-general is making daily enquiries at the hospital about the prisoners.

Outside of Warsaw the strike movement appears to be growing, but with a great number of workmen are out at Lodz, not a single case of disorder has been reported here.

It is rumored tonight that thousands of workmen in the extensive coal districts of Dombrova, near the frontier, will strike tomorrow. The Dombrova, extremely serious, as the miners would immediately be flooded if the pumping ceased. Other reports coming in say that fresh strikes have broken out in the outlying districts, but the rumors are not confirmed.

MORMONISM AND RACE SUICIDE

Mormon Elder's Answer to Resolution Passed by Eastern Women.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 2.—J. G. Kimball, general secretary and member of the first council of the "seventy" of the Mormon church, who was credited in a special despatch from Logan to the Salt Lake Tribune on Sunday last with defending polygamy and declaring he would not leave the church, today issued a signed statement, in which he declares that the report attributing to him any defence of the practice of polygamy is false. He asserts that he made no reference to any subject of polygamy, either openly or privately, at the conference or elsewhere. What he did say, he says, was to refer in the following language to resolutions recently adopted by a body of women in the East: "Women in the East want Congress to stop this thing (breeding children into poor families). Congress will have quite a time in trying to prevent poor people having a large number of children. These women want to put this practice down and legalize race suicide."

Continuing, Mr. Kimball says: "I then bore my testimony that Mormonism is true, that it had found its way into my bones and my blood and I felt it in every fibre of my being, and that Mormonism cannot be destroyed, and the more they try to destroy it the more it will grow. I believe in it and I will live it."

SECRETARY FOR SCOTLAND.

London, Feb. 2.—The Marquis of Linlithgow has been appointed secretary for Scotland in place of Andrew Graham Murray, who has been appointed to a judgeship.

North Sea Investigation

British Commander Gives Instances of Errors in Identifying Ships.

The Battleship Devastation Was Once Mistaken for a Torpedo Boat.

Presence of Trawlers Alongside Big Ships Should Have Avoided Blunder.

ALBION, Feb. 2.—At the sitting of the North Sea commission today, counsel for Great Britain introduced Commander Keane, former chief of a torpedo division and a leading expert of the British navy. He asserted positively that mistakes were frequently made between torpedo boats and big boats, mainly because searchlights confused the ordinary calculation of distance, and cited the case of the British battleship Devastation, which was mistaken for a torpedo boat during a night evolution, and also the case of a cruiser of 11,000 tons which was mistaken for a torpedo boat during the Mediterranean manoeuvres of 1903.

Interrogating the witness, Commander Keane, Admiral Fournier (French) asked whether it would be possible to mis-

YOSEMITE VALLEY'S OWNERS.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 2.—By a vote of 45 to 10 the assembly has passed a bill receding the Yosemite valley to the federal government.

PILES FOR PANAMA.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Isthmian canal commission has awarded a contract for furnishing 10 piles to the American Mercantile Company, of Lancaster, Wash., to the amount of about \$200,000.

N. Y. HORSE SHOW.

New York, Feb. 2.—At a meeting of the Horse Fair Association tonight it was decided to hold a six days' exhibition at Madison square, beginning April 24, and offer \$10,000 in purses for trotting, pacing and pony races under saddle.

FOR A TROUT HATCHERY.

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 2.—The house committee on game and game fish today agreed to report favorably the bill by Mr. Lindsley, of Spokane, providing for the establishment of a trout hatchery on the Little Spokane river, and making an appropriation of \$2,500 for the same.

BARBER SUNDAY LAW TO HOLD.

Bill for Its Repeal May Be Indefinitely Postponed.

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 2.—The house committee on labor and labor statistics tonight voted to report for indefinite postponement house bill No. 138, introduced by Brown of King, to repeal the act prohibiting barbering on Sunday. Delegate Proctor, of the Barbers' Union of Seattle, appeared before the committee in opposition to the bill. It was explained that the bill was introduced by request.

New Venture In Insurance

Agitation at Terminal City to Provide for Civic Underwriting.

New Brunswick Oysters Transplanted at Boundary Bay.

Stagnation In the Lumber Trade Causes Many Idle Men in British Columbia.

From Our Own Correspondent.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 2.—There is an agitation on foot to have the city provide for its own insurance. It costs \$3,000,000 in ten years, according to A. T. S. Baxter, to insure Vancouver. The loss since 1895 by fire runs from \$2,000 to \$85,000 (Hastings mill fire) and the amount received from insurance companies \$27,000, and averages \$47,000 a year. Aid, Baxter says, that the Carnegie library is insured by two companies, one supposedly in the trust and one outside. The trust company charges \$85.50 and the other company \$38.50. He thinks the difference represents undue profits.

It is argued that as the citizens had all insured with a company run by the municipality ten years ago, that there would have been today a surplus of \$2,000,000 in the hands of the city to pay losses, provided the same rates were charged as by other companies, and in this fire boats could be built and fire apparatus brought up to the highest standard.

The provincial government have evidently decided upon making very much needed changes in the court house building here. Mr. Gamble was over yesterday and went through the building. He will report on the necessary alterations. At present the necessary alterations, a registrar's office would be at the mercy of fire, which would result in great confusion. Fire-proof vaults are to be erected. The judges want the law library converted into judges' offices, and the library may be installed in the offices now occupied by the timber inspector and provincial collector.

It will be a difficult task to arrange everything to suit everybody, but the alterations must be made as the limited room is badly distributed. It is probable that nothing can be done to give the provincial police more room, although they have more reason to complain of their cramped quarters than many others.

Oyster culture is becoming quite a feature in British Columbia. One company has established beds at Boundary Bay. The company ships the oysters from New Brunswick and grows them in their beds. The venture thus far has proved a success. The oyster shells appear to grow about a quarter of an inch a month. The eastern British Columbia oyster is not yet on the market, but it is claimed that in one year an infant oyster will grow to twice its original size and be worth four times as much, commercially. Oysters that have been growing since September prove delicious on the half shell. The eastern oysters cannot be propagated here as the water is not of the right temperature. The native oyster, however, increases according to a plan of nature much different and are easily cared for and multiply quickly. Another company is starting beds at Deer Bay and Oyster Lagoons up the coast, where both Eastern and native oysters will be cultivated. These companies hope to be richly rewarded by placing oysters on the market. The heavy duty on the Olympian and the long haul on the Eastern oysters.

As is natural at this time of year, there are a great many people idle in Vancouver. They have drifted in from along the railway and from over the Sound. They are, on the whole, not a vicious class. Men day for day, they meet along the railway on foot as they meet many poor fellows with crusts of bread in their pockets, as a preservative against the pains of starvation, instead of making their way towards the city with no friends and no where to go. Shingle and lumber mills just outside the city limits say they feed dozens every day and send them on at least with a full stomach, although they have no work for them. It is not through any violence or any strike, or any crowding that these men are in Vancouver suffering, but Vancouver feels the duty placed upon it to do something in the matter. The city is prosperous and all the citizens are occupied, but there is the stranger within the gates that has decided to look after. A special meeting has been held of the City Council, which has been addressed by Adjutant Hay of the Salvation Army, and the Rev. Mr. Owen, of Christ church (Episcopal).

Mr. Owen said that there were so many appeals for help to him that he was unable to judge the worthy and unworthy, and he asked the council to assist in aiding the worthy. Adjutant Hay made the satisfactory announcement that he would provide work for all single persons on employment if they called at the barracks. He said he could not, however, do much for the heads of families. The council then passed a resolution that they would give a dollar for three days each week, at one dollar and a half day for every married man who applied for it. Now that every idle person is offered work, those idle persons who hang around the streets and will not work will be made to work for no wage, by being arrested and put on the chain gang.

SIR MORTIMER DURAND.

British Ambassador Expresses Country's Esteem for Uncle Sam.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Sir Mortimer Durand, British ambassador, tonight was one of the guests and speakers at the banquet of the District of Columbia Commandery of the Loyal Legion.

"To assure you," he said, "there is nothing but good-will for you on my side of the ocean. People of all classes show it. The King has constantly manifested it. The aristocracy, which at one time was most unfriendly, has seen its misdeeds and changed its attitude. I hope that all ill-feeling has gone like last year's snow, and if any remains it will go like this year's snow. On my side there is a feeling of kinship. Of course, we are Englishmen first and Americans afterwards, but we take pride in it and do not envy the Stars and Stripes."

He referred to the power Americans are exerting in England, and added that before long the British people would be growing under the heel of an American hobnob.

Lord Balfour On The Preference

Imperial Considerations Might Outweigh Economic In a Fiscal Policy.

New Colonization Association Will Send Twenty Lads to Canada.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Feb. 2.—Lord Balfour, at a banquet in Liverpool under the auspices of the Unionist Free Food League, said he had not the slightest reason to believe that the Empire would fall to pieces if a preference policy were not adopted. He admitted that this policy should be discussed from both its Imperial and its economic aspects. He said he could conceive it possible that the Imperial might outweigh the economic considerations, but continued the right way to hold the colonies was by ties of sentiment.

The first meeting of the Transatlantic Colonization Association was addressed by Dr. Robinson, of Canada, who said in Canada there is land and work enough for all, but man must put a shoulder to the wheel to succeed. Twenty lads leave for Canada under the association's auspices in the course of a month.

The Canadian Society dinner, held tonight at the Criterion, was a great success. M. Stewart, general manager of the Sovereign Bank, entertained the company with an interesting speech on the Canadian banking system. The secretary of the society, in speaking, said, financially, the society was in a most flourishing condition and hoped all Canadians visiting England would join. C. Lougher, of the Toronto Globe, presided.

MAGNIFICENT SUN SPOT DISCOVERED

One Tenth of Surface of Luminary Covered by Darkness.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—A sun spot, believed to be one of the largest and best defined ever observed, has been discovered by Prof. A. H. Cole, a local astronomer. Projected through a small opera glass on a sheet of white paper, a disc measuring six inches in diameter was disclosed. Mathematical calculations proved that the spot on the surface of the sun was one-tenth of its total diameter, or over 80,000 miles in its widest part. The spot is egg-shaped and can be easily discerned through a smoked glass. It is situated east of the central portion of the sun and today will be almost in the middle of the luminary. The spot will be visible for seven days.

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.

Winnipeg, Feb. 2.—Bank clearings for the week ending today were \$5,180,170; 1904, \$4,457,008; 1903, \$3,732,893.

TO POISON CONDEMNED.

Windsor, Vt., Feb. 2.—Five hundred dollars was offered to Harold Harpin, a guard in the state prison, if he would carry the package of poison to Mrs. Mary M. Rogers, convicted of the murder of her husband, who is under the death sentence. The offer was made in an anonymous letter from Boston containing \$250 in bills, which Harpin received recently. The writer offered to send the other \$250 as soon as the poison was delivered to Mrs. Rogers. The guard turned the letter over to Supt. Oakes, who showed it to Governor Bell. The postal authorities have been asked to investigate the letter.

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Victoria Comes Into Her Own

Denied Promises of Terms of Union Now Realizes Greatest Hope.

After Years of Waiting City Will be a Terminus of the C. P. R.

The passing of the E. & N. railway into the hands of the Canadian Pacific Company will open another chapter in the story of railroading in Canada. By this deal the original design of the great transcontinental system, which was to have its terminus on the island coast, and of which the line from Nanaimo to Esquimalt was to be the completing link, will have been realized, in another way, for Victoria will then become one of the Pacific termini of the transcontinental road. The terms of union will have been fulfilled, not through the will of parliament, as originally contemplated, but through the enterprise of our island citizens, who have brought about legitimate development of local resources, and forced Victoria into recognition as a point which could not be overlooked in the great scheme of commercial progress.

It may be recalled that the building of the E. & N. was part of the general plan of railway connection associated with the confederation of Canada, and particularly with the terms of union of this province. Esquimalt had been selected as the terminus of the transcontinental line. Previous to the incoming of the Mackenzie administration surveys had been carried on in British Columbia in order to ascertain the best route by way of the Yellowhead pass. One of these was the Fraser route, with its terminus at Burrard Inlet, one to Esquimalt via Butte Inlet by crossing Seymour Narrows, and the other, down the Skeena river. The Mackenzie government declined to accept Esquimalt as the terminus and Esquimalt should be the terminus of construction which were unsatisfactory to the provincial authorities. In the same year Hon. Mr. Wilfrid Laurier, then premier, visited the province in 1870, during which he made his celebrated speech, which did much to allay the enmity which had arisen between the province and the Dominion. The railway was not completed until 1878, when a petition was sent to the Queen asking that the province be permitted to withdraw from the union unless the Carmanor terms were carried out. A definite pledge was received in the early part of 1878 that work would be begun and vigorously prosecuted. In this year the Mackenzie government was defeated and Sir John Macdonald's government at first desired to ascertain if some other route was not possible by which Victoria could be reached than that down the Fraser valley, but the selection of Port Moody, made by Sir Alexander Mackenzie, was subsequently confirmed. The provincial government strongly protesting that the island road should be built as well, and, not receiving any satisfactory reply, Hon. Amos De Cosmos was sent to England to present a petition to the Queen. The Earl of Kimberley, then secretary of state, proposed in part a basis of settlement the construction of a light line of railway from Esquimalt to Nanaimo. In 1883 the Settlement Act was passed, by which all issues between the province and Dominion were finally disposed of. The railway was valued at \$750,000 was pledged by the Dominion government for the construction of the island road, the provincial government providing a land subsidy as well.

In other words, the C. P. R. originally was to go through the Yellowhead pass by the way of Butte Inlet, crossing by a series of bridges to the island and thence to Esquimalt. This scheme was subsequently considered too expensive, the cost of bridging the narrow straits being from fifteen to twenty million dollars. So the Port Moody terminus was chosen.

However, in order to give some recognition to the terms of union, and to satisfy the people of Victoria, the Settlement Act was passed, whereby the Dominion government undertook the construction of a drydock at Esquimalt, and the building of the E. & N. railway, for which they granted a cash subsidy of \$750,000, supplemented by about 2,000,000 acres of land by the province.

These terms, generous as they may appear today, did not at first seem to give early promise of fruition. Bidders for the work were not in abundant evidence. But finally the enterprise was undertaken by the Hon. Robert Dunsmuir, who drew upon his own private capital for the purpose. Indeed, it is an interesting fact in connection with this undertaking, that the E. & N. railway is perhaps the only road on the continent which was constructed without contracting a debt, and without borrowing a penny. No money was borrowed for the work. It was accomplished absolutely through the enterprise and financial ability of one man. And there were not wanting those at that time who doubted the sagacity of his venture.

As soon as the Settlement Act was passed the contracts were let, and the construction of the road was carried forward to a successful completion. The driving of the last spike was made the occasion of much celebrating in Victoria, and the Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir was the hero of the day, being the subject of a great many congratulations upon the success of his venture.

It seemed for a great many years as though there had been a great deal of foundation for the misgivings of those who doubted the financial wisdom of the undertaking. The road did not pay for a long period, not in fact until the inauguration of the C. P. R. ferry service. Lady Smith, which opened connection between the two cities, and the E. & N. line, and permitted the transportation of freight in bulk, with Victoria as a receiving and distributing point. Largely owing to this fact, the growth of the mining industry, and the general development which has come to the resources of the island, the E. & N. has gradually grown into a paying proposition.

Owing to the change now in contemplation, it is almost certain that the line will be extended as far north as Comox, in the immediate future, and to the north end of the island, with the possibility of branches to Alberni and Quatsino Sound, both of which places have been regarded as possible depots for Oriental traffic.

In case of the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern reaching the coast, as they no doubt will, southerly traffic from the lines will probably be carried over the E. & N. road unless independent lines are built by those companies. In this way a great saving of time would be effected, and in the race for trade, in any event, the island railway is sure to be no mean factor. The C. P. R., in securing the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway, has shown itself to be fully alive to its opportunities, and has indicated the faith that was in the people of other days, who fought for its construction, and the sagacity of those through whose enterprise and sagacity the scheme eventually materialized. And Victoria's importance will be immediately increased in connection with the whole system.

As is well known, Vancouver Island possesses great wealth in mineral. A number of mines, some of them very rich, are being developed. It also has very great wealth in timber and in fish. Indeed, within a limited area, the possibilities are many times greater than any other part of the province.

Throughout the southern and southeasterly part of Vancouver Island the whole of the country that is available for agriculture is admirably adapted for fruit growing, and in a few years, it is altogether possible, that several carloads of fruit per day will be sent from Victoria over the C. P. R. to the north-west, and this will probably prove to be one of the most profitable industries of the province.

Among the many considerations in which the utility of the service looms larger as a result of Victoria becoming a C. P. R. terminus, is that of the lumber industry, of which the most important part is centred on Vancouver Island. As soon as the duty is fixed to sufficiently protect the industry from United States competition, Victoria will become the shipping point for lumber to the Northwest, and the railway will naturally seek to develop traffic along these lines.

WARD MALLISTER STRICKEN.

San Francisco, Feb. 2.—Ward McAllister, one of the best known club men on the Pacific coast, has been stricken with a serious attack of pneumonia.

SIX MATRONS KILLED.

Engine Strikes Sleighting Party With Fearful Results.

Hornellsville, N. Y., Feb. 2.—A sleighting party from the Universalist church of Hornellsville was struck by a Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern engine near Arkport this evening. Six of the party were instantly killed and a number seriously injured. Seven of the injured have been brought to the Mercy hospital here. All of the dead and injured are matrons.

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Reform Proposed In Russian Laws

Committee of Ministers Reach Conclusion That Abuses Must Cease.

Recommend Changes That the Imperial Decrees be curtailed.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—The report of the recent deliberations of the committee of ministers has been given out for publication. The committee of ministers distinguished three fundamental points as bases for the defence laws: First, prevention of violation of laws; second, investigation of the powers and methods of action of those responsible for the violation of laws; third, responsibility of officials.

As regards the first point, the committee decided that it was necessary to prevent ministers exceeding their legal powers by means of imperial ordinances, and that certain of the exceptions to the ordinary course of laws must be forbidden, and that in exceptional cases where the Emperor has ordered ministers to deliberate concerning changes the decision of the committee must be submitted to the senate.

The committee decided to ask the consent of the Emperor for the issue of an interpretation of the existing laws. The committee also agreed upon the necessity of independent of the senate composed of all ministers and the internal reorganization of the senate.

In order to accelerate the course of justice in administration of affairs it was decided to be advisable to facilitate the action of the senate by persons who have suffered from the arbitrary acts of administrative bodies, and also to afford the right of direct communication between the senate and the Emperor and the extension of the senate's existing right of legislative initiative.

The committee decided that it was expedient to establish local courts of justice connected with the senate and the institution in the senate of the post of first president of the senate of personal relations with the Emperor.

A number of other changes clarifying the rights of plaintiffs under the civil code and in the general way of securing a broader interpretation and construction of the laws were decided by the committee and all the proposals were sanctioned by the Emperor on Jan. 29.

An official proclamation conveys the heartfelt sympathies of the Emperor, the Empress and the Dowager Empress to the family of the late Count de Trepoff, who died on Jan. 27. They have played \$25,000 at the disposal of Governor General Trepoff for the aid of the families suffering.

In order of the Emperor places the police of all the establishments under the ministry of the imperial court and Tzarevichs, Peterhof, Catherine and Pavlovsk under the jurisdiction of Gen. Trepoff with a view to uniformity of measures for the preservation of order and social security.

BOTH DOCTORS TO BE RE-INSTATED

Judge Morrison Decides In Favor of the Disrated Physicians.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Feb. 2.—Mr. Justice Morrison in the Supreme court today gave judgment in the cases of the two doctors who appealed from the action of the college of physicians and surgeons in cancelling their licences to practice medicine. The charge against Dr. Veercoetzburg of Kamloops was that he circulated damaging stories against other doctors, and against Dr. Telford, and of the medical college, and that he was guilty of unprofessional conduct in performing a fake operation on a patient that his true condition might be kept from his parents. And that he was guilty of manslaughter in connection with this case.

Mr. Justice Morrison in both cases ordered that the appellants be reinstated on the roll by the college of physicians and surgeons. In both cases the court decided that all evidence should be reviewed as given before the medical council and that the court should not merely pass on the fairness or unfairness of appellants' trial. The court promised to give reasons for the decision later.

GO-BETWEEN HAS BEEN JAILED.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 2.—The investigation into the legislative scandal was begun tonight. A number of witnesses were examined and at midnight an adjournment until tomorrow was taken. The testimony tonight was corroborative of the affidavits presented by the manager of the Continental Loan Association, Joseph Jordan, a newspaper correspondent, who, it is alleged, was the go-between, was arrested last tonight.

A COLD WAVE.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—The entire north-west and middle states will continue in the grasp of the present cold wave for at least 24 hours longer, according to information received from the United States weather bureau tonight. The coldest spot in the United States today was Glendive, Montana, where 53 degrees below zero was reported. Other low temperatures reported during the day, where, above, Mount, 43 degrees below; Winnipeg, 34 below; Medicine Hat, 26; Bismarck, 20, and Devil's Lake, 24.

U. S. MERCHANT MARINE.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—In reporting to the house today the bill agreed upon by the merchant marine commission, with favorable recommendation from the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries, Chairman Brewster's foreign shipping competitors are scarcely "rivals." They are "triumphant enemies," triumphing over those in the enterprise. Again he says: "This bill has stirred the sluggish blood in our foreign competitors, and they see in it danger to their supremacy."

"England does the carrying trade of South America; England handles the products of South American industries; England crosses the mighty ocean and carries the goods of the world; and she should come to this country if we had ships trading to South America."

In conclusion the report says: "We applaud the splendid achievements of Japan on the sea, and yet we must not be powerless to deliver the overwhelming blow that she has upon her adversary."

"England is mighty in her war navy because she is mighty in her merchant marine. Russia is weak in her merchant marine."

"If war should come today we have not ten ships in our merchant marine fit to be taken over by the government for war purposes, and we could not man with efficient sailors one-half the battleships, cruisers, torpedo boats, etc., of our splendid navy. The merchant marine is a hand-maiden of the war navy, and no nation ever achieved greatness in the world which was not strong in the other."

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'Frisco Paper Urges That They Are Entitled to Compensation Therefore.

The American sealers who were seized when the United States government went to the extent of seizing all pelagic sealers to protect the monopoly which that government still fosters on the Pribilof islands seeking damages and on the strongest arguments advanced in their behalf in the San Francisco Call. This paper argues that in coming to California to endeavor to bulk justice being done to the Victoria sealers the U.S. sealers were deceived by the American government and therefore they were entitled to the justice they sought to balk in Victoria.

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STATE OF AFFAIRS IN POLISH CAPITAL

Strike Falling Through Lack of Funds and Police Are Rampant.

London, Feb. 3.—The correspondent at Warsaw of the Times says the strike is falling through lack of money behind the organizers. For days before the demonstration, the police had been concentrating in Warsaw and the lethargy of the police gave the appearance that the authorities were encouraging the gatherings for the purpose of utilizing drastic measures of suppression.

Wholesale blackmail by the police of Warsaw is reported by the correspondent, in that city, of the Daily Mail, who asserts that citizens are stopped in the streets at night and arrested without giving them a chance to explain. It is also charged that the police have been brutally whipping prisoners and then liberating them on the payment of \$5 to the police sergeant. The correspondent adds that the conditions of the prisoners in Warsaw are scandalous, the prisoners being herded in small cells devoid of all sanitary appliances.

Warsaw, Feb. 2.—Owing to the elaborate precautions the disturbances that were anticipated here today did not occur. The authorities declare that the strike is practically ended. The smaller factories will reopen tomorrow and the bakers and printers have definitely decided to resume work tomorrow. The streets are still in the hands of the militia. The shops have not yet reopened and the city is quiet and almost deserted.

There are rumors of disturbances in the suburbs, which it is impossible to verify because the military authorities have seized the telephone service. The pupils of many public and private schools met today and decided to demand the introduction of the Polish language or otherwise they will not attend school tomorrow. The streets are still in the hands of the militia. The shops have not yet reopened and the city is quiet and almost deserted.

MINUTE DETAILS OF RUSSIAN RECORDS

Strict Tally Kept of Bullets Fired by the Soldiers During Riots.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 3.—(Globe m.)—Detailed reports filed at the headquarters of the St. Petersburg military district, where minute records are kept, show in breaking up the demonstration of January 22 of the thousands of troops on guard only 420 shots were actually fired. These troops represent eight different units from a squad of eight to a company of 20, and the total number of troops engaged was 1,000. The authorities point out that this indicated that there was no general volleying. The number of wounded in the hospitals today is 208.

The report of Maxim Gorky's release apparently either is incorrect, or if true, he was released on the promise to leave St. Petersburg without the slightest delay. He had not returned home up to a late hour last night. The friend with whom he was seen yesterday afternoon for the first time since his arrest, told the Associated Press that he found the author still in solitary confinement in the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress. The report of Gorky's release was not Maxim Gorky, which is a pseudonym, meaning "maxim the bitter," but Alexis Peshkoff, did not expect release for some time and did not know whether he would be brought before the court for trial or deported by the military authorities.

The philosophically proposed to devote his period of imprisonment to learning the English language and remedying other deficiencies in his peasant's education. He begged his friends to protect him from the English and German natural sciences, etc. At present he speaks only Russian.

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men who came to the assistance of their government after it had despoiled them. The senator's attack on Mr. Dickinson has been especially vicious and untruthful. It is a distorted conception of a senator's duty and privilege to label a private citizen in the senate, where he has no privilege of appearance and reply, and insofar as such an attack has influenced the action of the senate, that body has erred and should be willing to correct its mistake. The position of Senator Doliver puts this government in company of the Latin American states, which despoil their own citizens with impunity, while they are compelled by international law to compensate the nationals of other countries for similar spoliation.

"A majority of these suffering men are in San Francisco; they are California sailors; they went from here to the rescue of their government at Victoria, and Senator Doliver proposes that they shall send them to the court of claims in Washington, where their poverty prevents them from going, and that that court shall be denied the right to enter any judgment in their favor! It is an insult to the country and injustice that has no rival outside of Santo Domingo and Haiti."

BITTERLY COLD IN NEBRASKA.

Omaha, Feb. 2.—The bitter cold in Nebraska and Western Iowa continued tonight; the minimum in Omaha was 24 degrees below zero. At Lincoln it was 22, and at Sioux City, Ia., it reached 20 below.

In Omaha the street car service has been at a standstill for 24 hours on account of cold. Over the entire state of Nebraska the weather has been the severest for many years and intense suffering of live stock is reported from many places.

WAITING FOR FINE WEATHER.

Headquarters of Gen. Okla, Feb. 2.—(Nash)—The Russian force remains opposite the Japanese position, occasionally firing, but no serious attacks are attempted. Some movement of the Russians is noticeable along their entire front, and the bombardment of the Japanese lines is continued at intervals. The Japanese seldom reply to the Russian fire. It is evident that both armies are preparing for a battle when the weather moderates. The temperature was 13 degrees below zero last night. It is believed that the present cold weather will be the last of the season.

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P. OAKES.

MORTGAGE SALE

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1905, for the purchase of part (W. 38 acres) of section 16, range 1, Quamiah District, and part (E. 40 acres) of section 8, range 10, Sault District.

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Tenders will be received up to 4 o'clock p. m. on Monday, the 13th inst., for 1,500 linear feet (more or less) of Granite Curbing; 5000 Barrels (more or less) of Portland Cement; To be delivered to the Corporation of the City of Victoria in accordance with the conditions, which can be seen in the office of the undersigned.

Tenders must be addressed "W. W. Northcott, Purchasing Agent, and must be properly sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Granite," or "Tender for Cement," and must be delivered as above stated.

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W. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C., February 3, 1905.

Teams for Sprinkling

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, the 13th inst., at 4 o'clock p. m., for three pairs of horses of sufficient strength to draw the two-horse street sprinkler or sprinklers; also one horse of sufficient strength to draw the one-horse sprinkler, when and where required. The parties tendering must state their rate per hour for day and night work for each pair of horses; they will be required to furnish harness, and driver for each team; provide feed for horses and keep them shod. The Corporation will furnish sprinklers, water and whiffletrees. The work must be done to the entire satisfaction of the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, and the agent, whom they may appoint for that purpose.

The parties will be required to enter into an agreement with the Corporation and to furnish satisfactory bonds to the amount of \$500 for the due performance of the work.

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W. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., Feb. 3, 1905.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the Estate of Patrick Henry Haggerty, late of Prospect Lake, Victoria District, British Columbia, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors' Act" to all creditors of the Estate of the said Patrick Henry Haggerty, to send or deliver to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of March 1905, their claims and demands, with particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after such date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and will not be liable for such assets to any person or persons of whose claims they shall not have received notice at the time of such distribution.

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COWICHAN COUNCIL.

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THE E. & N. RAILWAY.

The people of Victoria are intensely interested in the negotiations now going on for the acquisition of the E. & N. Railway by the C. P. R. Co. There is nothing new to state in addition to what appeared in yesterday's issue of the Colonist. The situation involves practically the arrangement of details, and the confirmation of these by the C. P. R. authorities in Montreal. For some time it has been obvious that a company so largely interested in Victoria as the C. P. R. is would seek to own and control the E. & N. Railway, over which its freight to Island points are brought. Obviously, too, it will be of general advantage to have that railway in possession of a company that can deal with it as part of a general system, making the success of Victoria and the Island of Vancouver part of the general system. Assuming that the negotiations now under way will be successfully concluded, the benefits to Victoria are manifest. It becomes practically the western terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The efforts of the company will be concentrated upon making the line financially profitable and upon extending it to the north end of the Island or wherever else there are possibilities of freight. The C. P. R. is a business corporation and undertakes nothing from philanthropic motives. The management realizes that Vancouver Island possesses great potentialities in minerals, timber, fisheries and agriculture, and that some time in the future these resources will materially contribute to the profits of the company. An investment of several millions of dollars even by a corporation of the financial resources of the C. P. R., is not to be undertaken lightly, and, therefore, the success of the E. & N. Railway, as part of the system, becomes identified with the success of Victoria and the Island of Vancouver. That the company will use every effort to direct travel thitherward and to assist in every way possible in the development of the industries of the Island becomes a matter of certainty. The Grand Trunk Pacific or the Canadian Northern is something in the future, the possibilities of which are more or less uncertain. The C. P. R. is a present fact and a success. The old adage that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush is here well exemplified. That the C. P. R. may become a monopoly in the future is not to be feared. The powers of the newly formed railway commission are very broad and when the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern Railway come to the coast provision will doubtless be made for Victoria enjoying the full benefits of connections by running powers over the E. & N. Railway or otherwise. Altogether we think the city and the Island are to be congratulated upon the prospects of the C. P. R. coming into possession of the E. & N. Railway.

MUNICIPAL BOOKKEEPING AND OTHER MATTERS.

Mr. A. R. Tregent, secretary of the Vancouver Property Owners' Association, in yesterday's Colonist had something to say about a system of municipal bookkeeping. Without reference to his particular recommendations, the subject has been a live one for a number of years. It has formed the subject of the deliberations of the association representing the municipalities of the Dominion which have met in Eastern Canada from time to time. One of the recommendations has been in favor of a uniform system, which would classify municipal expenditures and revenues under common headings. In Ontario and British Columbia there are statistical departments to enquire into, among other things, municipal receipts and expenditures. In no other Provinces is this the case. It is obvious that if it is important that there should be municipal statistics, and it can hardly be denied, there should be a uniform method of keeping accounts in each Province in order that schedules may be prepared to give the different heads of expenditure and revenue in a way that should apply to all municipalities in all the Provinces, so that comparisons may be possible. A simplified system of bookkeeping such as any accountant familiar with municipal accounts could suggest, is important and should be given effect. Of course, every bookkeeper has his own ideas about the classification of accounts, and the essential feature of the proposition is to arrive at a uniform method. Years ago forms were issued by an association having this in view, which, if adopted, would have placed the matter on a proper footing; but it is difficult to obtain general concurrence. Only organization can effect that.

In regard to the other recommendation of Mr. Tregent that the public should not be burdened with the responsibility of what might be called educational luxuries included in the public school curriculum, that has been discussed in the Colonist, and is in line with its policy. Opinions must necessarily vary as to what are essentials of education and what are not; but it is

obvious that some of the studies at present in the curriculum are outside of the fundamentals, and it is a serious question whether the ratepayers should be taxed for what is not of general benefit. We know we are treading on delicate ground in suggesting that education should not be as free and general and as comprehensive as it now is, but there is a limit somewhere which should be respected. The suggestion that at least there should be certain branches that should be specialized and made optional at a specified fee, is well worthy of consideration. The ordinary requirements of education in a Province like this, in which administration is so expensive are sufficiently onerous without including subjects that may properly be classed as luxuries, not entering into what is useful and necessary. For instance, Latin and Greek, while part of a scholar's equipment, no more than chemistry or metallurgy, are essentials of a common school education. We must get down to a practical basis, and the tendency to enlarge the curriculum to take in every possible "ology and fad of the day is detrimental to the best interests of the country from an educational point of view.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

Sir—I see a letter in this morning's Colonist from Mr. Fred. Foster, saying that Mr. F. Kermode should have mentioned the whole facts in regard to the Ussis Kermode, so that honor might be given to whom honor is due. I might say for Mr. Foster's benefit, that I brought Mr. Kermode's attention to the two cuts quite a time previous to his buying the large skin from that gentleman, and that gentleman fails to say that one of the other skins he speaks of was in our possession when it was the firm of Laidley & Foster, being sold to a party in London. I cannot see where Mr. Foster has the right to say that he bought the raw fur like any other fur dealer would have done, and selling same in a businesslike way. In all possibility it was killed by an Indian. What we had when in business together we took for an albino. If any one outside of Prof. Hornaday or Mr. Kermode should receive honor due, it should be the man that shot it, and for my part I feel that Mr. Kermode is to be congratulated on having secured for the provincial museum such a rare specimen of British Columbia animal creation; while at the same time, the skill and ability displayed in preparing it for exhibition could not be excelled.

W. LINDLEY.

URSUS KERMODEI AND ITS EFFECTS.

Sir—Our provincial government should at an early date send a sample and zoological collector with a party of qualified hunters, properly equipped, into those parts of the country drained by the Skeena and Nass rivers, and adjacent thereto, also to the headwaters of the main, that shot observatory inlet and Bear river. From information given me by miners, hunters, and trappers, who claimed to have traveled through the country above mentioned, the scientific and zoological knowledge and specimens to be obtained from such an exploration and search, would make our museum one of the greatest attractions for naturalists and scientific sportsmen, without considering the big game hunters and tourists who would visit the province. The recent discovery of this white bear, which has surprised the naturalist, may appear to be of little importance to the majority of our people, but it is already attracting the attention of scientific men and others, including the press in the great cities thousands of miles distant from this city.

This is not a white elephant, but a white bear, and I sincerely hope that the specimens already in the museum of the new ursine form will not be ephemeral, but eventually prove a valuable asset to the province, and that any money expended in adding to and obtaining better and complete specimens will be willingly granted by our local legislature.

K. PERRY MILLS.

HOW TO PRONOUNCE JU JITSU.

Many readers have no doubt struggled over the pronunciation of the Japanese physical training term, "Ju-jitsu," the correct form of which is as if spelled "Jew-jitsu." It was months ago that it was proposed to adopt the system at the Naval Academy, and though the proposal lingered, it was bound to come, and a Japanese instructor has been secured to teach it to the midshipmen. Another system of physical training in Japan is Ken-jitsu, two-handed sword play, and it is probable that this may be made a feature of the training system at the Naval Academy. Still another is known as botori, a game in which two sides try to drag down a pole that their opponents have planted.

OUR POVERTY-STRIKEN LANGUAGE.

Toronto Globe.

We are in the habit of borrowing words and expressions from the French, on the plea that that language has more delicate shades of distinction in meaning. And yet it is an actual fact that the English language contains four times as many words as the French.

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Offering No. 3 Satin Lounge Covers; regular price, \$10; Today \$4.75	Offering No. 20 Men's Coats at \$2.50; value \$5.00 Suits 34, 35, 36 and 38. Men's Coats at \$5; sizes 36, 37 and 38; value \$7.50 and \$10.00	Offering No. 41 Black Bead Chains; regular \$1.00; Today 25c	Offering No. 61 Tapestry Curtain Materials, 44 inches wide; Today, per yard 50c	Offering No. 79 1 Fox Muff; regular \$20; Today \$8.50
Offering No. 4 13 Velvet Squares; regular price \$23.75; Today \$17.50	Offering No. 21 Linoleums 50c qualities for 37c Six patterns. 25c Oilcloths for 19c	Offering No. 42 Purses, Note Books and Cigarette Cases.	Offering No. 62 Axminster Door Mats; Today each 75c	Offering No. 80 Wool Neck Scarves; regular 25c. Today 15c
Offering No. 5 160 samples of Brussels Carpet; 1 1/2 yards in each piece; Today, piece 75c	Offering No. 22 Japanese Rugs A special purchase; size 9x12; Price \$4.50 Prices of other sizes in proportion.	Offering No. 43 Black Seal, in plain and trimmed corners; regular \$2 and \$2.25; Today \$1.00	Offering No. 63 Toilet Soaps The Fifth Avenue Brand; a very fine perfume; Today, per cake 10c	Offering No. 81 Alaska Sable Stole; regular \$15; Today \$10.00
Offering No. 6 Carpet Fringe; Today, yard 10c	Offering No. 23 Tapestry Squares; size, 9x10-6; Price \$5.75	Offering No. 44 Fancy Leather Purses; regular \$2.50; Today \$1.00	Offering No. 64 Shoes Children's Kid Shoes, heavy soles, sizes 5 to 7; regular \$1; Today 60c	Offering No. 82 Ermine Stole; reg. \$30; Today \$12.50
Offering No. 7 The third floor full of High Grade Furniture at February Sale Prices; Dressers and Stands from \$8.40 to \$98; Iron Beds from \$2.50 to \$23.75.	Offering No. 24 Net Curtains with insertion and fringe; Tuesday, per pair \$1.25	Offering No. 45 51 Purses; values \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$7.50 and \$8.00; Today \$2.50	Offering No. 65 Children's Kid and Calf Shoes, lace, sizes 8 and 9; regular \$1.25 and \$1.40; Today 75c	Offering No. 83 Ermine Stole; reg. \$15; Today \$7.50
Important Offerings in the Men's Department	Offering No. 25 Wall Papers at a big saving; papers from 1c a roll; splendid values at 8c, 12c, 15c, 20c and 25c roll.	Offering No. 46 Pencil and Book Marks; regular 25c; Today 10c	Offering No. 66 Misses' Shoes, sizes 11 to 2, box calf and pebble; regular \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75; Today \$1.00	Offering No. 84 Ermine Seal Stole; regular \$10.50; Today \$6.00
Offering No. 8 Colored Shirts at 65c; were \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50.	Offering No. 26 50 yards Black Surah Silk; regular 75c; Today 55c	Offering No. 47 Purses, 40 in the regular 25c, 35c and 50c; Today 15c	Offering No. 67 Children's and Misses' Felt Slippers; regular 75c, 85c, 90c and \$1; Today 50c	Offering No. 85 Electric Seal Stole; regular \$20; Today \$10.00
Offering No. 9 Men's Soft Shirts, collar attached, regular 75c, 85c and \$1; Today 50c	Offering No. 27 Canton Flannel, bleached; 300 yards in the 12 1/2 quality; Today, yd 8 1/2c	Offering No. 48 75c and \$1 Purses; Today 50c	Offering No. 68 Women's Kid Oxfords Regular \$1.75; Today \$1.00	Offering No. 86 Electric Seal, \$8.75; Today \$5.00
Offering No. 10 Men's Brown Merino Shirts only; regular 50c; Today 25c	Offering No. 28 400 yards English Long Cloth (S. P. 3). Our 20c quality Today, yard 13c	Offering No. 49 Purses, Note Books; regular \$1.25 and \$1.50; colors, black, green, tan and brown; Today 75c	Offering No. 69 Men's Shoes 28 pairs Box Calf Shoes and Kid Shoes; \$3 and \$3.75 values; Today \$1.85	Offering No. 87 Natural Fox; reg. \$20; Friday \$7.50
Offering No. 11 Men's Shirts and Drawers; regular 50c; Today 35c	Offering No. 29 200 yards English Long Cloth (S. P. 3). Our 20c quality Today, yard 13c	Offering No. 50 Match Boxes, Powder Boxes, Paper Holders, Photo Frames; values 50c, 75c, and \$1; Today 25c	Offering No. 70 33 pairs Men's Box Calf Shoes, in the \$4.50 grades; Today \$2.75	Offering No. 88 Women's Dress Skirts, 17 only, in Fine Black Cloth; regular prices \$12.50 and \$15.00; Today \$6.75
Offering No. 12 Boys' Worsted Sweaters; colors white cardinal and navy; regular 85c, 90c and \$1; all sizes; now 65c each	Offering No. 30 Men's Kid Gloves, wool lined, English make; our \$1.75 quality Today at per pair \$1.00	Offering No. 51 Manicure Pieces, Shoe Horns, Cufflinks, Button Hooks, Nail Polishers; values \$1 to \$2; Today 25c	Offering No. 71 Dress Goods Black Home spun, 54 inches wide; the \$1.00 quality; 50 yards only; Today 50c	Offering No. 89 60 Pairs Corsets (Women's), white and drab, made of fine cantile, with loose supporters attached; regular \$2.00; Today, per pair \$1.25
Offering No. 13 Men's Cardigan Jackets; a sample lot; 42 only; Today \$1.35	Offering No. 31 Women's Silk and Wool Combinations, natural; regular \$7.50; Today \$5.00	Offering No. 52 Miniature Photo Frames, 58 in the 50c values; Today 10c	Offering No. 72 75c Black Cheviot, 40 yards only; Today, per yard 35c	Offering No. 90 German Flannel Dressing Gowns, 15 at \$3.75 Values \$6.75. Colors, pink, red, navy, with white combinations.
Offering No. 14 Men's Scotch Kilt Socks; another big lot of our special quality at 25c pair. (Usually sold at 35c)	Offering No. 32 Children's Ribbed Vests, pink; regular 50c; Today 40c	Offering No. 53 Button Hooks and Shoe Horns; regular 25c; Today 10c	Offering No. 73 150 yards French Serge, black (smooth finish); Today, per yard 20c	Offering No. 91 12 at \$4.75 Values \$7.50. Plain, grey, navy and fawn.
Offering No. 15 Men's Flannelette Night Dresses; trimmed white sateen, collar and front; Today, each 85c	Offering No. 33 Jap Silk Lawn, ivory, 36 inches wide; Today, per yard 32c	Offering No. 54 Belt Sets; reg. 25c; Today 10c	Offering No. 74 15 Red Damask Cloths, 7-4 (fringe); Today 85c	Offering No. 92 Leather Belts; 15 at prices, 50c, 60c, 75c and \$1.00; Today 25c
Offering No. 16 Clearing out the odd lines of Boys' Suits; one line at \$3.50; were \$4.50 and \$5.75; sizes 25, 26, 28, 30, 31 and 32.	Offering No. 34 83 yards Satin Merv, black; regular 75c; Today, per yard 55c	Offering No. 55 120 pairs Women's Fashioned Black Cashmere Hose; 50c quality, double heels and soles; Today 35c	Offering No. 75 Half Bleached Table Damasks 80 yards in the \$1.00 quality; Today, per yard 70c 72 Inches Wide.	Offering No. 93 6 Fancy Shawls; pinks, blues, creams, etc.; values \$2.50 to \$3.50; Today \$1.75
Offering No. 17 Boys' Reefers; sizes 27 to 28 only; Today, each 75c	Offering No. 35 Child's Natural Wool Combinations; age 2 to 3 years; regular \$1.25; Today 50c	Offering No. 56 Shirt Waist Pearl Sets (3 in a set); 25c and 35c qualities; Today set 15c	Offering No. 76 17 Walking Skirts, navy and black; regular \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50; Today \$1.50	Offering No. 94 12 Fancy Shawls, silk mixed with wool; Today 90c
	Offering No. 36 Girls' White Cashmere Drawers, knee length; ages 5 to 10 years; regular \$1.15 to \$1.50; Today 50c	Offering No. 57 Pearl Handle Pen Holders; regular 50c; Today, each 15c		Offering No. 95 Stone Marten, trimmed; regular \$15; Today \$7.50
	Offering No. 37 Women's Pink Wool Vests, ribbed; regular 80c; Today 75c	Offering No. 58 400 Fancy Stick Pins and Paper Marks; regular 25c, 35c and 50c; Today 15c		Offering No. 96 3 Muffs (Black); regular \$2.50; Today, \$1.50
	Offering No. 38 Silver Mounted Tobacco Pouches in Buck and Seal; regular \$1.50 and \$1.75; Today 75c			Offering No. 97 Twenty-five Trimmed Hats (Women's); values \$5 to \$8.50; Today \$2.00
				Offering No. 98 Untrimmed Hats 50c

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Just Opened.—Mr. S. C. Bell, formerly of Dunsmuir, B. C., has opened up a new meat market at 52 Fort street, where, as his advertisement elsewhere in this paper states, he intends carrying a first-class stock of all kinds of fresh and salt meats, including all kinds of choice sausages. Mr. Bell feels there is room for another meat market in the city, and hopes, by giving his best attention to the needs of the people, to merit a fair share of their custom.

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Psychic Research—Under the auspices of the Psychic Research Society, a lecture and hypnotic entertainment, demonstrating the power of mind over matter, will be given in the K. of P. hall this evening at 8 o'clock. The general public is invited to attend.

A Recital—On Tuesday, Feb. 7, a recital in the A. O. U. hall, 1112 Fort street, will be given by Mrs. Gleason, the talented pianist, who is to be assisted on this occasion by leading local talent. Every indication points to a full house and a pleasant time.

Ministerial Association—Reports will be presented at next Monday's meeting of the Ministerial Association from the special committee appointed to represent the association in the matter of securing a home for indigent consumptives. There will also be other important business to demand consideration.

Take Over Gas Works—It is understood that negotiations are in progress looking to the control of the local gas works by the B. C. Electric Railway Co. This would give the latter company the entire control of the illuminating facilities for this city, and give the company a franchise which would be a very valuable one.

Spring Ridge in Line—Following the example of the people of Victoria West, the citizens of Spring Ridge have taken preliminary steps toward the organization of a municipal association along the lines of that doing so active and useful a work in the western suburb. Mr. William Marchant and Mr. John G. Brown will convene an organization meeting in the near future.

The Fire Record—Following is the fire record for the month of January: Jan. 1, 12:55 a. m., false alarm; 3rd, 7:50 a. m., fire at Collier's, Broad street, causing loss of \$200; 4th, 10:30 p. m., fire on roof of W. Harrison's premises on Johnson street, damage \$2; Jan. 23, false alarm; Jan. 27, fire at Nesbitt's, Catherine street, Victoria West, no loss; Jan. 31, fire at Leitz & Leiser's, approximate loss \$12,000.

Acknowledged With Thanks—The ladies' committee of the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt from the I. C. C. Society of the following donations: One bolt pillow case webbing, one bolt of crash towelling, one bolt of flannel, four pairs of stockings, seven boys' sweaters, seven pairs of corduroy pants and seven yards of double width serge.

For Skaters—Owing to reports being received that the ice was not in good condition, and trains were despatched to Colwood yesterday by the E. & N. Railway. If the ice is good today a number of trains will be operated, the times of leaving the Store street station being 9 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 3:30 p. m., and 7 p. m. Returning the trains will leave Colwood at 11:30 a. m., 3 p. m., 6 p. m., and 10 p. m.

Imported Oranges—A carload of fine navel oranges was received yesterday by F. R. Stewart & Co. for sale in the local market. The oranges came from Redlands, California, a district noted for its orange groves. A few days ago the same firm received a carload of oranges from Seville, the consignment being special fruit to be used for making marmalade.

HAVE REDUCED RATES.

A Step in the Competition Between Sound and Victoria Shipyards.

The rates at the Bremerton dry dock have been lowered by the United States government. In this connection the Washington correspondent of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer writes: "Assistant Secretary Darling, of the navy, at a brief conference with the president, brought to his attention a complaint made a few days ago by the Boston Steamship Co., which operates a line of steamships between the Pacific coast and the Philippines, that the charges of the Puget Sound navy yard for the docking of ships were excessive."

The statement was that the ships could be docked at Esquimalt, B. C., for about one-third of the charges made at Bremerton. The steamship company desired to have repairs made to one of its big vessels, the Shawmut, at the American yard, but object to the high charges.

After considering the subject, Assistant Secretary Darling has decided to order a reduction of the charges to less than 50 per cent. of the old rates for ships of more than 4,000 tons.

Concerning the above, Robert Moran, of the Moran Bros. Co., last night said: "The old charges of the Puget Sound navy yard were four times as high as the Esquimalt rates. What is wanted is a flat charge rate of at least no higher than that charged on the Canadian side. I certainly think Americans are entitled to that."

POLICE CIRCLES.

Man From Shanghai Left Large Cloak Behind When Released.

Mr. Bishop had been living in Shanghai, and as is known the beer they sent abroad is not a good one. He arrived by the ship and was released. He was sent to the police station and was kept there for some time. He was then released and was sent to the police station and was kept there for some time. He was then released and was sent to the police station and was kept there for some time.

The lines had not been cast off more than five minutes when he came to the trail and sought to get ashore. The officer looked at the gap between wharf and vessel.

"You might make it in two jumps," he said. But Mr. Bishop didn't try. He said he'd rather lose his money than swallow salt water on top of the beer. He then left the ship and was released.

UNHAPPINESS DISPELLED

Men and Women Unanimous About It.

Many women weep and wail and refuse to be comforted because their once magnificent tresses have become thin and faded. Many men incline to profanity because the flies bite through the thin thatch on their craniums. It will be a great relief to the miserable of both sexes to learn that Newbro's Herpicide has been placed upon the market. This is the new scalp germicide and antiseptic that acts by destroying the germ or microbe that is the underlying cause of all hair diseases.

The Library—Following are the returns for the public library of the city of Victoria for January: Books issued: gentlemen, 738; ladies, 770; total 1514; average 61; greatest number in one day, 111.

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AT FULLERTON'S

GOVERNMENT STREET

TOURIST CLUB

ELECTS OFFICERS

Personnel Named at Adjourned Annual Meeting Held Last Evening.

The postponed annual meeting of the Tourist Association was held last evening at the city hall for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The following officers were elected: President, His Worship Mayor Barnard; vice-presidents, S. J. Pitts, president board of trade; ex-officio, F. W. Vincent, hon. treasurer, E. C. Smith; executive committee, J. E. Wilson, J. L. Beckwith, H. R. Thompson, S. H. Henderson, Anton Henderson. There are still two members to be appointed of the city council to complete the executive.

A discussion arose as to the deepening of the arm above the George bridge for the purpose of making it navigable and the following resolution was passed: "Moved by Anton Henderson, seconded by H. R. Thompson, and resolved that the Dominion government be urged to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of deepening Victoria arm above Point Ellice bridge, the said sum to be spent under the direction of the government's resident engineer."

The meeting then adjourned.

LOOKING FOR DAUGHTER.

San Diego Woman Searching for Variety Actress.

One of the saddest letters that has come to the police for some time is from San Diego, Cal. It is from a heart-broken mother. She signs herself Mrs. M. The letter tells of the death of a young girl, the despair and the death-inducing grief incident to the departure of one who was wrapped up in a mother's heart. The letter is written in a clear hand that would hardly indicate that it was written by a woman who had been through such a tragedy.

The writer says that her daughter's name when abroad was Miss May Cole. She knows of her to have been in Victoria and Vancouver singing. She also knew that she had gone to Dawson. From Dawson she had news that she was cooking in a camp on Dominion creek. Then she heard that she was coming out, and thought that she had traced her to Victoria and Vancouver again. She wrote to a Vancouverite, who replied that he had referred the letter to the police. Not having any reply from the police she wrote to them direct. She says that she wrote to the police and that they had referred the letter to the police. She says that she wrote to the police and that they had referred the letter to the police.

The big close-out at the Westside continues to increase in interest day by day and thousands of dollars' worth of dry goods change hands each day.

A few novelties that you can buy at 80 Douglas street. Trixits for York shire pudding, 25c; egg pouches, 65c; new Rapid knife sharpener, 30c; foot scrapers, 15c and 30c; apple parers, cores and slicers, 75c; potato parers, 5c. H. A. Brown & Co.

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Something About Scheme of the Capital City Canning Company.

Preliminaries are now under way looking to the installation of a system of salmon traps, in the vicinity of Sherrington and Outer points, for the Capital City Packing & Canning Company.

This will be the first move toward the creation of the canning and packing establishment on Esquimalt Harbor, which is illustrated herewith, and which, it is expected, will be in operation during the coming summer.

It has always been known that the sockeye, in their annual pilgrimages to the southward, abundantly frequented the straits of Juan de Fuca, and it has been established that, at this stage of their journey, in the clear, salt ocean waters, the fish are much more fit for food than they are when farther inland toward the rivers, and closer to the spawning state. The finest salmon fishing grounds in the world are but a few miles distant from Victoria, and through the granting of trap licenses these will be made available to local industry. It is therefore safe to predict that this city will become the greatest cannery centre in the world.

There is abundant evidence that Victorians are fully alive to their opportunities in this regard. Already two large canneries have been projected, one of these being that of the Capital City Canning & Packing Company, mentioned herein. This company is composed wholly of well-known business men of this city.

The prospectus just issued by the company contains convincing testimony as to the great number of fish that frequent the waters where their catch will be made.

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Mrs. Frank Hutt, Morrisburg, Ont., was one of those troubled with this most common of stomach troubles. She writes:—"After being treated by three doctors, and using many advertised medicines, for a severe attack of Dyspepsia, and receiving no benefit, I gave up all hope of ever being cured. Hearing Burdock Blood Bitters so highly spoken of, I decided to get a bottle, and give it a trial. Before I had taken it I began to feel better, and by the time I had taken the second one I was completely cured. I cannot recommend Burdock Blood Bitters too highly, and would advise all sufferers from dyspepsia to give it a trial."

Carries Much Cargo To New Zealand

Mlowera Will Have Large Shipments When She Sails Tonight.

Athenian to Carry Naval Stores From Esquimalt to Hongkong—Eurasia Chartered.

Steamer Mlowera, which will sail for Australia via ports tonight, will have a large amount of freight consigned to New Zealand. The Mlowera, amongst other cargo, will take out a large number of pianos and organs of Canadian manufacture consigned to Auckland and Christchurch. Lumber, canned salmon and wagon wheels form large items in the shipments to Australia. For Honolulu the Mlowera will have a couple of hundred half-casks of Canadian Atlantic coast codfish. Several shipments of cod for Honolulu have lately come from the Atlantic coast, despite the fact that the same article is produced in considerable quantities in the British Columbia. Altogether the Mlowera will have 1800 tons of general cargo on board when she sails on Friday afternoon for Sydney. She will also have a fair number of passengers, judging by previous business. While in port this time the Mlowera was inspected by H. C. Lord, inspector of boilers and machinery for the state of Washington. The vessel has to take United States inspection on account of calling at Honolulu on voyages between Victoria and Sydney and vice versa. Mr. Lord is a brother of Mr. W. R. Lord, a well known canneryman of Vancouver. The latter had not seen his brother for four years till he happened along there while the inspector was at work.

THE OCEAN LINERS.
Pelous Due on Sunday—Iyo Maru in a Hurricane.

Steamer Pelous, of the China Mutual Line, is due at the ocean dock on Sunday. She is bringing considerable freight for this port. The Shinano Maru proceeded to Seattle yesterday morning after discharging her local freight. The Iyo Maru, her sister liner, had a very rough passage to Japan, according to advices received by the Shinano. The Iyo encountered a terrific hurricane on her homeward voyage across the Pacific.

The vessel left Victoria on the 14th December, and when three days out ran into heavy seas in latitude 49.38 N., and longitude 143.53 W., being for 48 hours unable to make any progress whatever. The hand-steering gear and a small boat were washed away, while a guard rail and other of the ship's fittings were broken by the heavy waves which constantly washed over the deck. On the second night Captain Parsons and his chief officer, Mr. G. C. Hurry, were lashed to the bridge, and by good seamanship barely escaped with their lives through the storm, which was one of the worst ever experienced by the officers.

CAPT. WALBRAN "REINSTATED."
But In What Capacity Is As Yet Not Very Clear.

A despatch of yesterday from Ottawa contained the news that Capt. J. Walbran had been reinstated as the Minister of Marine, and leaves for Victoria today. The despatch quoted is not supplemented by any advice to Captain James Gaudin, the resident agent of the Department of Marine, who therefore is unable to say to what office it is that Capt. Walbran has been "reinstated." Since succeeded in the command of the D. G. S. Quadra, Captain Walbran has been retained as a clerk in the departmental office here. He was requested to tender his resignation of this position, to take effect at the end of the year, but before doing so decided to pay a visit to Ottawa. The telegram of yesterday is interpreted by the agent as indicating that he has been able to adjust matters there so as to retain the place, although there are contradictory reports afloat—"The one to the effect that it is the command of the Quadra to which Captain Walbran has been reinstated, and the other that he is to be given the charge of the new fisheries experimental and development station to be established on the northern end of Vancouver Island.

WILL CARRY STORES.
Athenian Will Load Equipment at Esquimalt for Hongkong.

Steamer Athenian will sail for the Orient on Monday. The C. P. R. liner will come from Esquimalt, and after loading a quantity of naval stores at the station will come to the outer wharf to load general freight for Yokohama. The British ship Penthesilea, which was chartered by R. P. Kithit & Co. to carry a cargo of naval stores to England, left Esquimalt yesterday. It is expected that another shipment for Hongkong will be made on the Pelous when that vessel goes to the Orient.

LUMBER CARRIERS.
Antigone Is Ready to Load—Bracade Ready for Sea.

German bark Antigone, Captain Madison, which arrived at Port Townsend last week from Guymnas and has been putting out her helms since that date, will tow to Haddock this morning, where she will take on the first portion of her cargo of lumber. She is under charter to W. R. Grace & Co., and is bound to the West Coast of South America, going to Valparaiso for orders. British ship Bracade, Captain Youden, has finished her cargo of lumber from the Port Blakeley Mill Company, and as soon as some small differences between the master and the mill company are adjusted, she will tow to Port Townsend for her crew. She is bound for Melbourne and is under charter to J. J. Moore & Co. American schooner W. F. Garms, Captain Larsen, which has been loaded for several days, towed out yesterday bound to San Pedro, and has a cargo of 1,300,000 feet.

MARINE NOTES.
Steamer Edith passed out yesterday loaded with coal for San Francisco from Nainoa.

The British ship Eurasia, which arrived at Victoria from London last Saturday, and is discharging at the outer wharf, was chartered prior to arrival for lumber from Puget Sound to Valparaiso for orders at 35s. (2s. 6d. less direct). Pisagua range (option of Callao), at 32s. 6d.

MARINE REPORT.
Tatoosh, Feb. 2.—0-00—Clear, 42; no shipping. 1-40—Clear, east, 30; no shipping; out, steamer Edith.

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The Forests Of British Columbia

The Subject of Trees and Their Uses Commercially and Otherwise.

Paper Read by J. R. Anderson Before Natural History Society.

At a meeting of the Natural History Society on January 3rd, the subject of "Forestry" was discussed by Mr. J. R. Anderson in a most thoughtful and instructive way.

In speaking of the importance of conserving the forests, he remarked that "wood enters into all our manufactures and structures in some form or other, whether in the actual construction, or in the preparatory process, and in spite of the fact that metals have assumed an economic position in modern times of a magnitude and in a variety of ways undreamed of in previous ages, the various uses that have been found for the products of the forest have so increased their consumption that even now the world is being confronted with the problem as to the supply of the raw material with which to meet the demand. The alienation of the forests without due provision against waste and destruction is certainly not in conformity with the recognized principles governing the conservation of forests so well ascertained by long years of experience in the older countries, and even in the Eastern provinces of Canada and the United States."

Mr. Anderson described some of the features by which the principal coniferous trees of the province might be distinguished. In this connection he opened with a description of the Douglas fir and the cedar, showing their peculiarities in such simple phrase that the veriest novice might recognize them in the forest. He also spoke of the various uses to which these woods are put commercially and by the aborigines of the country. He remarked that the commercially valuable fir grows in dense forests, attaining a size anywhere from six to eight feet and more in diameter, and is thickest for 100 to 150 feet. Of the cedar he said:

"This is one of our most ornamental trees, growing to an enormous size. In British Columbia shingles are made altogether from this wood." To illustrate the size attained by this wood, he observed that in a bundle of split shingles sent to the Marine and Fishery office, every shingle was the width of the bundle. This was the red cedar. The yellow cedar, so-called, he said, was really the yellow cypress. This wood, he believed, owing to its peculiar qualities, was destined to take a front rank for inside furnishings, fine cabinet work and similar purposes. It was also extremely durable for shipbuilding, the natural crooks making excellent knees for such purposes. He also described the "Western" or "Monzie" and the "Engelman" spruce. Of the hemlock he said: "Why it should be called by that name I cannot say, hemlock proper being a poisonous, deciduous plant. The only use to which this tree is at present put is in the making of leather, the bark being used for tanning. The wood is good for inside work, but does not last well when exposed to the weather." The Mountain hemlock was so christened by Mr. Anderson to distinguish it from the other.

The lecturer then described the Western white fir, the hard or tamarack, the Western yellow pine, the yellow, scrub and black pines, and also referred to the juniper or pencilwood. In connection with this last-named wood the speaker said that some years ago he was applied to from England as to the possible supply of British Columbia. He regretted that he could not report favorably, as it did not occur in sufficient quantities in any one place. As it was only required in lengths of about seven inches and cut to the thickness of pencils, it may prove remunerative to any one entering into the business, even under present conditions. He concluded with a description of the yew.

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